



## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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## ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

### **DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE EXEMPTIONS TO COUNTY BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE AND INTERNET PORTAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STANDARDS**

**CIO RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE (X) APPROVE WITH MODIFICATION ( )  
DISAPPROVE ( )**

### **SUBJECT**

Request authorization for the Chief Information Officer to review and approve exemptions to Board-adopted County information technology standards for Business Intelligence and Internet Portals.

### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Delegate authority to the Chief Information Officer (CIO) to review and approve departmental exemptions to the Board-adopted information technology standards for Business Intelligence (Cognos) and Internet Portals (WebSphere).

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The CIO is charged with recommending County information technology (IT) standards for Board approval and ensuring compliance after adoption of those standards. IT standards are intended to optimize economies of scale in purchasing, support, maintenance, training, and reusability.

Some departments may have special conditions or business case for exemptions to IT standards. The recommended action will provide Board authorization to the CIO to review and approve exemption requests for Board-approved IT standards for Cognos and WebSphere. Your Board

approved these standards in May 2005 and May 2007.

**Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended action supports the County's Strategic Plan for Goal 1, Operational Effectiveness.

**FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There is no additional cost for the CIO to review and approve Board-adopted standards.

**FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Chapter 2.119.030 of the County Code stipulates that the CIO "adopt standards for countywide information technology which shall be subject to approval by the Board of Supervisors". The recommendation to delegate authority to the CIO to review and approve departmental exemptions is consistent with other Board-adopted standards for Enterprise Content Management and Information Security.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of this request will authorize the CIO to review and approve exemptions to Board-approved IT standards for Cognos and WebSphere. Exemptions to these standards will require a compelling business case demonstrating the reasons for granting an exception.

Respectfully submitted,

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RICHARD SANCHEZ

Chief Information Officer

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County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors